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### NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For: BRANCHED ALKYL-AROMATIC SULFONIC ACID DISPERSANTS FOR DISPERSING ASPHALTENES IN PETROLEUM OILS

17497 U.S. PTO  
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#### 1. Type of Application

☒ Original (nonprovisional)

☐ Divisional

☐ Continuation

of copending application(s)

☒ application number 60/418,005 filed on 10/11/02

#### 2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, 121)

☐ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application(s).  
Enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF  
PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) IS(ARE) CLAIMED.

#### 3. Papers Enclosed

☒ Application ( 22 pages), including 14 claims ( 2 pages), and 1 page Abstract;

☐ sheet(s) of informal drawings;

☒ 1 sheet(s) of formal drawings;

☐ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Information Disclosure Statement, EMRE Form -1449;

☐ Copies of citations as listed on attached EMRE Form - 1449;

☐ Other

#### 4. Declaration

☒ Enclosed

☐ Not Enclosed

☒ Priority of application Serial No. 60/418,005 filed on 10/11/02 in  
USA (Country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

#### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.10)

I hereby certify that this new application transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal service on the date shown below in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EU 862908835 US addressed to the: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop: Patent Application, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Total Claims	<u>14</u> - 20	—	x 18.00	—
Independent Claims	<u>1</u> - 3	—	x 84.00	—
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) if any			+ 280.00	—
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**7. Certified Copy**

Certified copy(ies) of application(s)

Country \_\_\_\_\_ Appln. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Filed \_\_\_\_\_

From which priority is claimed

☐ is (are) attached.☐ will follow.Sept 29, 2003  
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